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*is this correct?*  
Air Force as soon as practicable. From a contractual standpoint, all IDEALIST field service support contracts will be extended three to six months in order to permit appropriate phase-out activities. The funding for these extensions will be provided by the Air Force through Director, Program D. All other contracts will expire at the completion dates specified therein, unless earlier termination is requested by the Air Force. With few exceptions, these contracts should be completed by 30 June 1974.

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In the past the CORONA [REDACTED] represented a basis for justifying the CIA's handling of the [REDACTED] Currently, SAFSP has the total responsibility for operational satellite reconnaissance systems employing photographic film. Unless there are special reasons which you may be aware of for

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CIA to continue handling

I recommend that this responsibility be transferred  
to SAFSP effective 1 July 1974.

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HANDLE VIA CONTROL SYSTEM ONLY

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I recommend that this activity remain intact and be  
placed under the <sup>Management</sup> administration of the Office of ELINT,  
which is physically collocated with the [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]. The Office of ELINT is the most logical  
office within the Directorate for Science and Technology  
to perform this function, since it has the operational  
responsibility for the [REDACTED] and technical  
operations in general.

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Other Contracts

There are a number of other miscellaneous contracts which the Office of Special Activities handles on behalf of various NRO activities.

I propose that we examine these on a case-by-case basis and that I provide you with my recommendations for each of these by 1 June 1974.

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for  
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